

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

**Please replace the last paragraph on page 2 with the following amended paragraph:**

WO 98/40406 describes specific calcium phosphopeptide complexes having anticaries efficacy. The phosphopeptides contain the Ser(p) cluster sequence motif [-Ser(P)-Ser(P)-Ser(P)-Glu-Glu], where Ser(P) is phosphoserine, and are said to be able to stabilize their own weight in amorphous calcium phosphate and amorphous calcium fluoride phosphate.

**Please replace the first paragraph on page 8 with the following amended paragraph:**

Figure 5 shows the changes in microhardness of enamel after a demineralization treatment in 0.1mol/L acetic acid pH 4.5 for 24 hours followed by remineralisation in a "MAP 112" phosphoprotein solution, prepared by the method of Example 4, containing 60 mmol/L calcium ions and 36 mmol/L phosphate ions;

**Please replace the last paragraph on page 12 with the following amended paragraph:**

Those persons skilled in the art will appreciate that by varying the reaction conditions appropriately, such as the reaction time and enzyme concentration, a partially hydrated casein having the desired degree of hydrolysis can be obtained. By way of example, a partially hydrolyzed casein having a suitable degree of hydrolysis may be obtained by first solubilizing a 10% isoelectric precipitated casein solution with NaOH to pH 7 at 50°C. The solution is then cooled to 37°C, and a porcine pancreatic trypsin preparation (a suitable preparation commercially available from Novozymes® under the product name [[as]] Novo.4500K, molecular weight 23,400 Da, activity 4500 USP (United States Pharmacopacia) units/mg) added at about 0.01% w/v casein and incubated for 15 minutes. Enzyme inactivation may be achieved by heating to 80°C and holding for 5 minutes.

Please replace the last paragraph on page 19 with the following amended paragraph:

The molecular weight profiles of the phosphoprotein preparations were determined by gel filtration as follows. A 1% protein solution was prepared in 6M Urea, with 50mM sodium phosphate at pH 7.5 as the buffer. This solution was centrifuged at  $10\,000 \times g$  for 10 minutes and passed through a  $0.2\mu\text{m}$  filter. A sample volume of 500  $\mu\text{l}$  injected into the 100 $\mu\text{l}$  sample loop of a Pharmacia FPLC fitted with a Superdex 200 10/30HR column. The running buffer was 6 M Urea, with 50mM sodium phosphate at pH 7.5 and flow rate of 0.5 ml/min. Detection was by UV absorption (280  $[[\eta\text{m}]]\text{nm}$ ). The protein absorption curve was integrated and arbitrarily divided into the following four molecular weight groupings:

Please replace the paragraph on page 20 with the following amended paragraph:

Molecular weight range (Da)	Lot number			
	5	6	7	1
$\geq 30,000$	13.66	11.66	9.4	9.84
$<30,000, \geq 21,000$	53.74	50.78	49.13	48.87
$<21,000, \geq 12,000$	7.58	9.99	11.37	10.92
$<12,000$	25.02	27.57	30.1	30.37

Please replace the paragraph following the heading *Molecular weight profiles of Lot 5* on page 23 with the following amended paragraph:

Molecular weight range (Da)	
$\geq 30,000$	13.66
$<30,000, \geq 21,000$	53.74
$<21,000, \geq 12,000$	7.58
$<12,000$	25.02

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Please replace the paragraph following the heading *Molecular weight profile after hydrolysis* on page 32 with the following amended paragraph:

Molecular weight range ( <u>Da</u> )	Percentage
$\geq 30,000$	10.7
$< 30,000, \geq 21,000$	57.8
$< 21,000, \geq 12,000$	15.7
$< 12,000$	15.8